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Sesquicentennial

2019



**Celebrating our past with joy today
and with hope for the future**

DIOCESE OF LAKE CHARLES
Established April 25, 1980

The Most Rev. Glen John Provost, D.D.
Bishop of Lake Charles

**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
CATHEDRAL PARISH**
Established December 8, 1869

PARISH STAFF

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- Mrs. Marlene Mullenix
Organist
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MASSES

Saturday Anticipated 4:00 PM
Sunday 7:30 a.m.
9:30 a.m.
11:15 a.m.
(Extraordinary Form) 5:00 PM
Monday - Friday 12:05 PM

NOVENA

Our Lady of Perpetual Help
Before 12:05 Mass on Tuesday

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE
Friday 11:00 - Noon; Saturday 3:00 pm
30 minutes before all other Masses.
Or call office for appointment.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM
A Pre-Baptism class must be
attended before the celebration of
Baptism. These classes are held the
4th Tuesday of January, March,
May, July, September and
November. Arrangements for
celebration of Baptism may be made
by calling the parish office after

having attended the Baptism Class.

**SACRAMENT OF
MARRIAGE**

Arrangements should be made at
least six (6) months before the
wedding date by calling the parish
office. An appointment must be
made for a pre-marriage interview.

**RITE OF CHRISTIAN
INITIATION OF ADULTS.**

An ongoing process of formation
and education is provided for

anyone who is interested in
inquiring into the Roman Catholic
faith. The RCIA process is
available throughout the year to
those who are seeking initiation
into the church as well as for those
non Catholics seeking more
information about the Roman
Catholic church. Information
concerning participation in the
RCIA process may be obtained
through the parish office.

Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception

From the Pastor

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1. You may have noticed that the cover photo on our bulletin has changed. It's our Sesquicentennial theme and logo! We will be using

this as our bulletin cover throughout 2019. The logo is a combination of the distinctive emblem found on the outside of the church building, the entwined AM, for Ave Maria, or Hail Mary, surrounded by the words Immaculate Conception Cathedral * Mater Ecclesiae Lacus Carolini which means "Mother Church of Lake Charles" in Latin. Beneath this is the sesquicentennial banner, all above a picture of the Cathedral. Our theme is "Celebrating Our Past With Joy Today and With Hope For the Future." This theme is perfect for the year which will see the completion of our Cathedral restoration, which honors the past appropriately, along with our hope for the future ... in the form of a beautifully restored Cathedral that will enrich generations to come.

2. I would like to thank our parishioners who came out, despite the torrential rain, to help us move out of the Cathedral on January 2nd. Because so many people came, we accomplished much in such a short time. Everything was finished by 10:30 AM. As you can see, the Ave Maria Hall has been transformed into a church. This will be our temporary home until the Cathedral restoration is completed. There will be no changes to our Mass schedule. Confessions will be heard at the usual times; we have transformed the Catholic Daughters' closet into a temporary Confessional. Baptisms will be celebrated in the hall. No weddings have been scheduled in the Cathedral for the first half of the year. For funerals, we will have to make arrangements with the funeral home or another church. It will all work out fine. We are blessed to have a place to worship and have the Sacraments celebrated on a continual basis

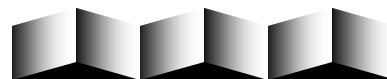
3. Last weekend was our first weekend in the Ave Maria Hall. I was pleased with how everything worked out. We are making a few adjustments with how some things are done (ex. Offertory, Communion, etc.) due to a smaller space, but many people commented how they like the intimacy of it all. If you find that a particular Mass is too crowded for you, please consider going to a different Mass time before deciding to go to another church. The 9:30 AM Mass is the most attended of all our Masses, but we can accommodate more people at the 4:00 PM, 7:30 AM, 11:15 AM and 5:00 PM Masses. We are all in this together. If we suffer together all the inconveniences of our current situation with much patience and understanding, we will all rejoice together exceedingly when we

finally move back to a newly restored and beautiful church. Let's take this wonderful opportunity to grow closer to each other, both literally and figuratively!

4. Since we only have chairs in the Ave Maria Hall and no kneelers, many people are asking what their posture should be during Consecration. If you are able, the most appropriate posture during Consecration is kneeling because this is the posture of humility and adoration. Our Lord, truly and substantially present in the Most Blessed Sacrament of the Altar, is worthy of adoration and worship. If you are unable to kneel on the floor for an extended period of time, you may remain standing. If you are unable to stand for a long time, then you may be seated. For those who say we should all assume the same posture in order to show unity, I answer that unity does not mean uniformity. Our unity comes from our oneness or Communion with the Lord and with each other (cf. Ephesians 4:4-5).

5. I would like to thank everyone who participated in our Forty Hours Devotion on January 8-10. Let's continue praying for the following intentions: 1) For an increase in vocations to the priesthood and religious life in the Diocese of Lake Charles, 2) In reparation for the sins contrary to the 6th commandment, 3) For the healing of all victims of sexual abuse, 4) For the conversion of sinners, 5) For the sanctification of our Clergy and Laity, 6) For the good success of our Cathedral restoration, and 7) For the good success of our Sesquicentennial celebration.

6. During this year of our Sesquicentennial, Mr. Roland Bodin, a life-long parishioner of Immaculate Conception Cathedral Parish, is writing a bulletin series highlighting some interesting facts about our parish history titled "Did You Know???" Please make sure you read each installment so that we can all learn and love our history. Mr. Bodin will also be giving a 30 minute talk on "The Beginnings of Our Parish" on January 24, Feast of St. Francis de Sales in the Ordinary Form, after the 12:05 PM Mass, and again on January 29, Feast of St. Francis de Sales in the Extraordinary Form, after a special Mass at 5:30 PM. Did you know that the very first church in Lake Charles (which later became our parish) was dedicated to St. Francis de Sales? Learn more from Mr. Bodin on January 24 or January 29!



Christian Giving



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Offertory Collection January 5th and 6th.....\$12,209.00
Building Fund.....\$ 1,596.00
BSA to date: \$38,097 collected; \$1,978 balance owed on our quota of \$40,076

Remember: You may also make your contributions online by using a credit/bank card by visiting immaculateconceptioncathedral.com.

‡THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD‡

As part of our sesquicentennial celebration we will be highlighting interesting facts in each bulletin about our history, titled:

“DID YOU KNOW???”
Part 2

The first recorded European settler in these parts was Martin LeBleu, a native of Bordeaux, France. He had first immigrated to Virginia, but was not satisfied with life in a British Colony. He then traveled with his family to the Spanish Colony of Louisiana, establishing his home near English Bayou towards the end of the 18th century.

A genealogical exploration of the John Jacob Ryan family revealed a notation in the diary of Thomas Ringmaiden that on July 12, 1839, a priest from Vermillion had “come to Christen the children of the settlement. Had ours Christened—5 in number.” That settlement was Bayou D’Inde or Vincent’s Settlement. Since there is no further mention of activity by the priest, or any other priest, it is assumed he was a visitor.



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Saint Charles Center is accepting applications for a part-time housekeeping position. This person needs to be available for immediate employment and previous work experience is preferred. Applicant should be flexible and available to work various hours as well as some week-ends. The setting of the retreat center provides the employee a peaceful environment with a spirit of shared collaboration among cooperative staff members.

If interested contact Michelle Monceaux at 337-855-1232.



Course on the Letters of St. Paul
Center for Catholic Studies

Father Nathan Long will be teaching a Center for Catholic Studies course on the Letters of St. Paul. The classes will be held at the Catholic Student Center at McNeese, 221 Aqua Dr. Classes will be from 5:30 to 7:30 P.M. on the following dates: January 29, February 12, 19 and 26. Cost to attend: \$50.00. For more information please contact the Office of Religious Education at 337-439-7400 ext. 308. You may also register online at <https://secure.acceptiva.com/?cst=58d33f&fbclid=IwAR1klbtwoitZzAX5vgr4pV8QEpFV94tJgJYxonnXOfu6khBW6aFE04qNuE>



Our Cathedral Parish is so pleased to welcome
The Blair and Blake Lumpkin Family
To our Cathedral Parish Family.

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THIS WEEK

- January 13...Confirmation meeting, 8:30 AM
- January 15...Come Lord Jesus (men), 6:00 AM, Library
Come Lord Jesus (women), 9:30 AM, Library
EF Choir practice—6:00 PM
- January 16 ...Cathedral Choir practice—6:00 PM
- January 17...Holy Hour of Reparation—11:00 PM
- January 18...G.N.A.T.S. meet—9:30 AM—Library
Encounter meets at 9:00 AM—Library



A Pre-Kindergarten through 8th Grade Enrollment Information Session is scheduled for Wednesday, January 30th, from 4:30 to 6:30 P.M.

Parents of both incoming Pre-K through 8th Grade are welcome. Personalized school tours will be provided and participants will have the opportunity to meet teachers, students and administrators. For more information, or to RSVP, please contact Kay Morgan, ICCS Development Director, at 433.3497 or email kmorgan@iccschool.org. For more information about Immaculate Conception Cathedral School, please visit www.iccschool.org.



Sienna Grace Hardey, daughter of Jessica Vidrine and David Hardey, Jr. was welcomed into the Family of Christ on December 30, 2018



Our Cathedral Parish Family extends Its Best Wishes and Congratulations to Sydney Kaspar and David Borel who were united in Christian Marriage on Saturday, December 29, 2018.



BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

There are no quick fixes to grief.
No easy answers.
Every expression of grief that wants to be felt and honored and given its space must be allowed... in order to heal.

If you or someone you know has experienced the death of a loved one, you may want to consider participating in this five-week Bereavement Program. You do not have to be a Catholic, there is no time limit as to when the person(s) died and there is no cost....all are welcome.

When: Monday, January 21st-28th—February 4th-11th and 18th. Where: Sabbath House— 407 Second Street-Jennings. Time: 5:30 P.M. Contact Sister Jeannette if you have any questions (337-304-6383). If possible let me know if you plan to attend so that enough hand-outs may be made for everyone.





SATURDAY, January 12...(4:00)—Mary Ann Riviere; Julie Stutes Moon; A. J. Cascio.

SUNDAY, January 13...(7:30)—"Pro Populo" (For the People)

**(9:30)—Vivian Langley; Larry Drounette; Dena Nodier; Mrs. Paul L. Veazey, Sr.; Lorraine Brockhaus Guidry; Rodney Dale Harst; L.D. Gervais Family; Ms. Nancy Bellon and Family; Gauthreaux, Gremillion, Percle & Woods Family; Marie Foret
(11:15)—Lee and Mabel Trahan.
(5:00 PM Extraordinary Form)— Sno Vincent.**

**MONDAY, January 14... (12:05)—Bennie Louis Buller.
(5:30, Extraordinary Form)—Mr. & Mrs. Steven Matz (living).**

TUESDAY, January 15...(12:05)—Kathy Herrera.

WEDNESDAY, January 16....(12:05)— Xavier Perez.

THURSDAY, January 17...(12:05)—Dena Nodier.

FRIDAY, January 18...(12:05)—Jim Bailey.

SATURDAY, January 19...(4:00)-Gladys & Delma Devillier; Patricia Ann "Cookie" Fournerat; Joe Champeaux; Ceci O'Byrne (living); Joseph A. and Louise Bertrand and Gerald Simmons.

**SUNDAY, January 20...(7:30)-"Pro Populo" (For the People)
(9:30)-Mary Sue Thompson; Marianne Richard; Joseph and Anna Rita Scalisi; Dora Jean "Dori" Scalisi Rogers; Enos Miller Family; Mrs. Lindsay Bourgeois and Family; Lynn Hale (living); Leveque & Champeaux Families; Catherine Carr.
(11:15)-Julie Moon.
(5:00 PM Extraordinary Form)- Phyllis & Bob Navarro.**



A Walk through the Mass—Seasons and Meanings

Come and discover why we do what we do from the beginning of Mass to the Final Blessing:
Wednesdays, 5:30 P.M. — 6:30 P.M.
January 16, 23, 30 and February 6 and 13, 2019
St. Philip Neri Catholic Church, Kinder, LA



PLEASE NOTE...The Catholic Daughters January meeting will be held in the Deaf Center on Monday, January 21st, at 6:00 P.M. Catholic Daughters from the Cathedral and St. Margaret will be hosting a joint baby shower for women in need through New Life Counseling in February. We invite all parishioners to help us collect items needed, including girl bottle brushes, baby girl socks, baby nail clippers, baby shampoo, baby lotion, diaper cream, gender neutral receiving blankets, white burp cloths and baby girl bibs.

Donations are appreciated. Please contact Regent, Amanda Martin at 337-274-6610.





READINGS FOR THE WEEK
January 14-20, 2019

Monday: Heb 1:1-6; Ps 97:1, 2b, 6, 7c, 9; Mk 1:14-20
 Tuesday: Heb 2:5-12; Ps 8:2ab, 5, 6-9; Mk 1:21-28
 Wednesday: Heb 2:14-18; Ps 105:1-4, 6-9; Mk 1:29-39
 Thursday: Heb 3:7-14; Ps 95:6-11; Mk 1:40-45
 Friday: Heb 4:1-5, 11; Ps 78:3, 4bc, 6c-8; Mk 2:1-12
 Saturday: Heb 4:12-16; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mk 2:13-17
 Sunday: Is 62:1-5; Ps 96:1-3, 7-10; 1 Cor 12:4-11; Jn 2:1-11

Pray for Our Friends Who Are Ill



Rosa Adams; Sam Ange, Jr.; Owen Arceneau; Jenna, Aden, Grace, David Babcock; Gloria Bennett; Charles Benoit; June Benoit; Donald Blanchard; Chandra Broussard; Dean Broussard; Kylan Broussard; Stephen Broussard; Waldean Broussard; Jerry Cain; Emily Carleton; Cory Casaban; Teresa Chapoy; Denise Collette; Betty Daigle; Wade Davis; Sue Derouen; Claudia Dyle; Charles Elter; Dee Elter; Bill Ferguson; Lamont Francisco; Ty Griffen; Diane Hagerty; Michelle Hart; Stephanie Hinton; Brenda Hoback; Anne Hoyer; Bo Huddle; Jessica Hulin; Mary Jeffers; Gary Johnson; Darrel Jones; Hattie Kadlubar; Larry King; Caleb Koonce; Janet LaBiche; Cheryl Lecompte; Helen Lecompte; Sarah LeCompte; James Leger; Michael Lee; Della Lemaire; Marie Lupo; Melanie Lupo; Elizabeth Louviere; Demetrius Maddox; Jonette Adams Malone; Barbara McCombs; Betty Mueller; Kenneth Newman; Larry Parker; Sue Parker; Rory Partin; Ben Perry; Clifford Raleigh; William P. Richard; Mari Rieth; Marian Rome; Michael & Marie Scimemi; Cammie Shaddock; Jaxson Spikes; Chris Stemmann; Rob Stephens; Darrell Sullivan; Theresa Theriot; Warren Thomas; Betty Trahan; Charles Viccellio; Gay Young; Martha Young

If you would like to add or remove a name, please call the church office at 436-7251. Please let us know if a person has recovered or is deceased.



Men's ACTS Retreat will be January 17th-20th. Retreat will end with Mass being celebrated at St. Louis High School, January 20th, 11:15 A.M.

